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Hawks advance

Red Hawks senior midfielder Grace Diezel, who scored the second goal of the game, clashes with a Brock High School player in the midfield during the wildcard playoff game in Haliburton on Friday, May 18. Diezel and the Red Hawks won easily 5-0. See story on page 25. Darren Lum Staff

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Endangered Species amendment gains traction

Jenn Watt Editor

Current endangered species legislation is impeding economic progress and isn't properly protecting wildlife, local MPP Laurie Scott says.

To address weaknesses in the law and concerns of farmers, loggers and developers she's heard from, the representative for Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock introduced an amendment to the Endangered Species Act, which last week passed second reading at Queen's Park.

"We're trying to raise awareness that [the act] is not work-

ing," Scott said in an interview.
"It's not working as it is ... let's have a little more trans-

The act doesn't offer enough public consultation when a new species is added to the province's endangered list and its permit system is inefficient due to imprecise language in the law, she said.

It also deters landowners from reporting endangered species to the Ministry of Natural Resources for fear their land will be restricted from use, she said.

This last point is why Scott is adamant the legislation doesn't protect as it should.

"They're not being protected now. They aren't. You have to have the buy in of the people involved. As it stands now, [farmers are] not going to be identifying the species ... they're scared to phone the MNR," she said.

Minden area farmer and Haliburton Farmers' Association vice-president Bryan Barlow said Scott is right about

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Protecting seniors

The local elder abuse network is holding two free events to help seniors protect themselves against abuse.

On May 24, the Haliburton Kawartha Lakes Elder Abuse Prevention Network is holding a "Be Aware, Be Safe, Take Action" event, which will include speakers, community displays and refreshments.

Service Canada will also be holding a pension clinic on-

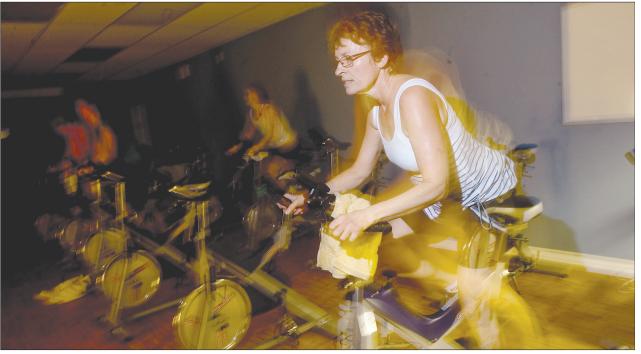
The two events are being held on the same day - the morning session in Haliburton and the afternoon session in Minden.

In Ontario, between four and 10 per cent of adults older than 55 experience some form of abuse, whether it be financial, physical, mental or neglect.

"The more informed seniors are, the better protected they are," Karen Anderson, elder abuse services co-ordinator for Community Care City of Kawartha Lakes, said.

In Haliburton, the event will be held May 24 at 9:30 a.m. at Parklane Apartments, 1 Victoria St. In Minden, the afternoon session starts at 1:30 p.m. at Staanworth Apartments,

For more information call Anderson at 1-800-461-0327.



New club raises money

Eva Griffith was one of close to 20 participants in the first fundraiser held by the Haliburton Highlands Mountain Bike Club hosted by the Haliburton Indoor Cycling studio in Haliburton on Saturday, May 12. The event raised \$240 and will fund the purchase of signs for a formal network of mountain bike trails at the Glebe Park in Haliburton. The recently formed club is seeking members and sponsorship. Search Haliburton Highlands Mountain Bike Club on Facebook for more information. A website is being constructed. Submitted by the Haliburton Highlands Mountain Bike Club.

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Her inspiration is drawn from the natural beauty of the Bancroft area, nature and the many interesting people who cross her path. "I would describe my art forms as biomorphic," says Inwood-Montrose, "they take on a life of their own once I set the wheels in motion and shift form as appropriate to each piece." Heather Inwood-Montrose is the owner of Irondell Metal Works.

Learn more about Rails End Gallery and Arts Centre at www.railsendgallery.com or on twitter@railsend

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Lake takes life of local man

Chad Ingram

Staff reporter

A 20-year-old Haliburton County man is dead after an incident on Soyer's Lake last week

Kieran Wulff was working on a dock at

a home along Frog Hopper Lane in the Blairhampton Road area in the early afternoon of May 14.

When a boat floated from the dock out into Poverty Bay, Wulff swam after it.

Then something went wrong.

"Somebody across the lake saw it," OPP communications officer Const. Sandy Adams said, explaining the observer had called 911.

Just what had occurred, Adams was unsure.

County EMS workers and Dysart et al firefighters arrived at approximately 1 p.m., pulling Wulff from the water and commencing CPR.

He was taken to Minden hospital and then airlifted to the Peterborough Regional Health Centre where he was pronounced dead just after 4 p.m. "Exactly what he died from, we don't know," Adams said, adding that an autopsy was being conducted and that foul play is not suspected.

The OPP investigation is continuing.

"Kieran was wonderful, very happy, friendly and loving," his aunt told the paper May 15. "He cared about people."

His family had recently relocated from the Eagle Lake area to Haliburton Village.

Family remembers Kieran Wulff

The following was submitted by the family of Kieran Wulff, 20, who passed away Monday, May 14.

Kieran is survived by his parents Konrad and Janice, his brothers Joe and Clarke, sister-in-law Meghan, his large and loving extended family and by his spiritual brothers and sisters.

We are devastated by the loss of our son, our brother, our dear, dear friend, Kieran Wulff. He is loved by so many, and he will be greatly missed by all who knew him. He was viewed as a son and a brother by everyone in the Haliburton congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses.

Kieran was a kind, considerate, compassionate, deeply spiritual young man. He was intelligent, studious and hardworking. He had an amazing sense of humour and with his quick wit, he kept us all in stitches.

Of all of Kieran's wonderful qualities, the one that he demonstrated the best is the quality of love. Kieran loved people. People

of all ages were drawn to Kieran because they could tell that he genuinely and sincerely cared for them. When he made people laugh, it was because he wanted to see them happy. And he was so self-sacrificing. He devoted most of his time working as a volunteer Bible teacher, doing all that he could to share with others the wonderful truths found in the scriptures. One of his favourite scriptures was Jeremiah 29:11, which says: "For I myself well know the thoughts that I am thinking toward you,' is the utterance of Jehovah, 'thoughts of peace, and not of calamity, to give you a future and a hope." Kieran did all that he could to give the people that he talked to the hope that his creator Jehovah had given him, and he was so happy doing this.

Kieran loved his God. He was thankful for the gift of live and the hope Jehovah holds out for the future.

And Kieran showed his love for God in everything he did, the way he reached out and touched everyone he met. Jesus said,

"Let your light shine before men, that they may see your fine works and give glory to your Father who is in the heavens." (Matt 5:16) Kieran shone so brilliantly. He will continue to shine in our memories until we see him in the resurrection when Jehovah reunites us with all of our dead loved ones here on a paradise earth.

A memorial service was held at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses on Sunday, May 20.

Memorial donations to the Bible education work that Kieran was proud to be a part of can be made payable to "Watch Tower" and we also want to thank the paramedics, emergency response personnel and physicians who worked so hard to try to save Kieran and in support of them, donations can be made to the public access defibrillator "PAD" Haliburton County and can be arranged through the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., PO Box 427, Minden, ON, KOM 2KO.



Dance studio changes hands

Jenn Watt

Editor

Chyna Schell has been dreaming of running Haliburton Dance Arts since she was

That was when she and the owner of the studio, Terri Mathews, first started talking about it.

"She had such a focus even then. She always cared more about the studio ... more than just an employee or a dancer," Mathews says.

When Mathews decided she wanted to focus on instructing rather than managing, Schell was the obvious fit.

"She's somebody who has that love for it. She would be the perfect person to carry it on," she says.

Under Schell's ownership, the name will change to Haliburton Dance Academy, but the familiar acronym HDA will remain.

"It's to signify the change and [show] it's a new leaf turned over," Schell says of the switch.

The 23-year-old is thrilled to be taking over

the 16-year-old business where she learned to dance. $\,$

"I grew up dancing here. I would not be the person I am today with HDA," she says.

Schell is a practitioner of nearly every type of dance except ballroom, which she has less experience with.

She has danced all over the province in Toronto, Ottawa and Huntsville, as well as Australia, where she lived for a year.

While she has great affection and respect for the way Mathews ran HDA, Schell has a few of her own ideas.

She wants to start a new class for five- to seven-year-olds that includes no performance and no costumes, just acrobatic gymnastics

She plans to introduce optional competitions after recitals for those kids who are interested. She also has renovations to the Maple Street location in mind to spruce things up.

HDA serves the widest demographics possible with students ranging from 18 months old to well into their senior years. They currently have about 75 dancers, but Schell wants to bump those numbers to around 150.

Dance has changed her life, Schell says,



Jenn Watt Staff

Chyna Schell, 23, is the new director of Haliburton Dance Academy – formerly Haliburton Dance Arts. She bought the business from Terri Mathews, who will continue instructing at the dance studio on Maple Avenue in Haliburton.

and she hopes HDA under her watch will continue to change the lives of others.

"My mom always said any money put into dance was an investment," she says. "It's not just a sport ... it's an investment in children's lives."

Haliburton Dance Academy is located at 41 Maple Ave. in Haliburton. You can contact Schell at chyna.haliburtondance@gmail.com

or by calling 705-457-5388. More information can be found at www.haliburtondanceacademy.com.

This weekend is the group's year-end show at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion. There are performances on Friday, May 25 at 6:30 p.m., Saturday, May 26 at 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Tickets are sold at The Photo Shop on Highland Street and cost \$15.

Bear relocation was unsuccessful, MNR says

Jenn Watt

Editor

Fewer options are available this summer for dealing with nuisance bears.

The Ministry of Natural Resources has eliminated the part of the Bear Wise program that included trapping and relocating trouble animals, saying the practice was ineffective.

"Science has shown us that trapping and relocating is our least effective tool in dealing with nuisance bears, especially adult bears as they simply return," MNR spokeswoman Jolanta Kowalski wrote in an email to the paper.

While the toll-free helpline will still be available, the technicians that formerly made house calls, trapping and removing bears, will no longer be visiting.

"MNR will ... continue to support local police and the OPP to deal with emergency bear situations; tranquilization and dispatch [killing the bear] could be used in exceptional circumstances. That hasn't changed," Kowalski wrote.

In some parts of the province, the removal of bear technicians has union reps concerned.

The Ontario Public Service Employees Union, which represents MNR employees, issued a press release in early May saying Ontarians are in greater danger with fewer staff dealing with bears.

In northern Ontario, the OPP will be relied upon more heavily to deal with the bears, the union said in the release.

"Campers and residents in most of Ontario face greater danger with bears this year because the Ontario government has



For nuisance black bears, residents are still asked to call the toll-free reporting line run by the MNR. /File photo

cut by more than half the number of staff trained to deal with bears that threaten people's safety," the release reads.

"We think the ministry changes will lead to a lot more bears being shot by homeowners and police," Ed Evens, an OPSEU members representative is quoted in the release.

While the situation in central Ontario isn't the same, there is still the possibility that this area will see more bear deaths because of the shift in priorities, Evens said in an interview with the paper.

"It's a possibility. The bottom line is, if the bear keeps coming back, if it is destroying property, they can shoot it," Evens said.

"The bear techs did a lot more than [relocate bears]. They were the ones that went out and helped the homeowners with what to do to reduce the chances [of bear conflict]," he added.

While the Minden office still has bear technicians, in Evens's location in Sioux Lookout, there are none and calls to the police of trouble bears have gone up.

Since May 1, he says there were 40 calls

to 911 concerning bears.

In 2011, the MNR trapped and relocated 623 black bears in the province. In the Bancroft district, which covers Haliburton County, 13 bears were trapped by the MNR in the same time period.

Kowalski said the police will not have an increased role in dealing with nuisance bears, but pointed out that they have always been involved when public safety was at risk.

"Police agencies have always been the first responders in emergency situations - including with bears," Kowalski wrote in her email.

"If public safety is at risk, people should call 911. When dealing with bears that are not threatening public safety, people should still contact the Bear Wise phone line and take advantage of the advice available."

The Haliburton OPP released a similar message last week, asking the public continue to call the MNR about bears.

The Ontario government plans to cut \$50 million from the MNR budget over three years. Evens said he doesn't know of any layoffs in the Bancroft district, but that staff is generally concerned about what the reductions will mean.

"I think a lot of it this year is changes to legislation and setting it up. If there is going to be staff cuts it will in year two and three," he said

The toll-free bear reporting line is 1-866-514-2327. It is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week until the end of November.

See page 15 for ways to keep bears away from your home or cottage this summer.

Fear of government intervention does little to protect species

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farmers' uneasiness with the government.

"No. 1 for most of the farming community: there's a huge distrust for the government in that opening up and telling them what's going on is just the worst thing you can do," Barlow said.

"There's so much fear that they're going to say, you can no longer do that [farming]."

Farmers worry that if they find an endangered species, the government will force them to cease operations – or at least delay operations – until it is no longer profitable for them.

Reporting is seen as a risky activity by many and while Barlow said he wasn't commenting on Scott's amendment specifically, he agreed that the fear of calling the MNR is there.

"It's very, very true, that part [of her argument]." he said.

The farming association's Ontario Cattlemen's Association rep, Ross Warburton, is happy to see Scott's amendment go forward.

"I'm not wanting to do away with the birds [protected by the act], but where do the rights of the farmer come in?" Warburon said.

He has seen whip-poor-wills and killdeer on his property and will mark nests with red flags to avoid disturbing them.

Warburton said farmers already try to protect wildlife on their property and don't need such strict regulation of their activities.

ties.
"We don't go out of our way to discourage [endangered species] and we don't go out of our way to encourage them," he said.

Local biologist Paul Heaven said he's heard those same fears Scott and Barlow speak of, but is not aware of the ministry restricting land to anyone in the area unnecessarily.

He points out that farmers create the environments that attract endangered species such as the whip-poor-will or certain snakes, which like cleared land.

"The only open areas left in the county are maintained by farmers," he said.

Heaven works on documenting species at risk around the county, but doesn't work intimately with the legislation.

However, he thinks it has been effective in protecting the plants and animals.

He also points out very few of the more than 200 species on the list reside in Haliburton County. "You look at the vast number of species at risk that are out there ... there's not that many that are out here in Haliburton," he said.

One example used by Scott in the legislature to illustrate her point is the bobolink, a bird that nests in hayfields and is listed on the endangered species list. (Though right now there is an exception to the legislation for this particular species.)

"Bobolinks nest in hayfields during the period when the hay reaches its optimum nutrient value as a source of food for livestock," Scott said in her speech to Queen's Park May 10.

"So shutting down hay harvesting in this period to accommodate the nesting bobolinks would be devastating to the agriculture community all across southern Ontario," she continued.

Barlow confirmed that the bobolink is a hot topic amongst the farming community throughout the province, with farmers afraid of finding the special bird amongst their hay.

The loss of a crop or a stand of trees for a forester could be financially devastating.

"When you're a small farm your revenue numbers are not great. So, you have to squeeze every penny every way you can

get," he said.

Scott said her amendment would continue to protect the endangered animals, but would compel the minister to consider the social and economic implications of restricting a farmer's (or other private landowner's) access to that land.

As it stands, the legislation says the minister "may" take those components into consideration.

"It could be as critical as taking your whole piece of land out of use. So you're shutting down that farmer. You've got to weigh the pros and cons," she said.

The bill, with support from members of the New Democratic Party, passed second reading and is now in committee.

Scott doesn't expect that it will be embraced by the ruling Liberal party, meaning it will likely never become law, but she thinks its success will inform the government's positions in the future.

"It's a discussion that the government needs to hear. ... They need to hear those people and their frustrations and possible solutions," she said.

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A fair to remember

The Regional Heritage Fair 2012 was a showcase of students' (Grade 4 to 8) knowledge of Canada, as they presented their research and finadings on a variety of topics (Crokinole, native reserves, the Canadian flag) related to our heritage.

Hosted at the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School for the first time the fair included three new schools from the northern region of the board's area. There were 30 judges (teachers and board consultants) who looked at 83 projects completed by 106 students from nine schools, includ-

ing J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School, Wilberforce Elementary School and Archie Stouffer Elementary School.

There were 20 certificates (with a subscription from *Kayak* magazine) awarded. Two projects from this fair will represent the region and be showcased Provincial Heritage Fair on June 10 and 11 in Toronto. This will include representatives from 19 other regional fairs.

Eric Wooten of JDHES was one of those selected to go to the provincial fair.



Students lance corporal Carmen Galea of the army cadets, left, and project partner able seaman Sonora Plumb of the sea cadets wearing their respective uniforms, learned the history of the Royal Canadian Cadets. There were 230,000 former cadets who served in the Second World War. They were part of the Heritage Fair at the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School on Friday, May 18.





Darren Lum Staff

Wilberforce Elementary School Grade 8 student Samuel Stevens speaks with judge Tina Franzen about his project topic the Royal Canadian Navy.



points of view

Angels on wheels

Jenn Watt

Editor

CCORDING TO CANCER patient Ken Drouillard, volunteer drivers saved his life.

By providing him with a lift every week for two years to and from his cancer treatments, these particular selfless volunteers made it possible for the 73-year-old to endure the stress and the trials of his situation.

Paid only for their mileage, 22 people in Haliburton County transported 84 patients to life-saving appoint-

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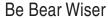
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This summer will test just how important the

trapping and relocation program run by the Ministry of Natural Resources

Cancelled in the last month, the system was deemed ineffective and now the public is asked to call the toll-free hotline for regular nuisance bears and the police for emergencies.

While police were always the first line of defense for frightening bear situations, this is our first time without MNR bear technicians making

It's not clear whether this change in government services will affect us greatly this coming cottager season, but it does put added responsibility on all of us to keep bears away.

On page 15 you'll see some tips on keeping bears off your property.

This year more than ever it is wise to be Bear Wise.



Head Lake sunset

photo by Darren Lum

Strengthening you kindness muscle

INDNESS IS A theme that keeps presenting itself to me these days. I recently attended a yoga class with

a teacher who said (as we were working on our "throat chakra," which are about how we express ourselves in the world: our honesty, the words we use to create compassion and love) that when we stop picking and choosing who to be kind to, there is a healing that happens in our own bodies at the cellular level as well as to the people that we are offering kindness to.

The Dalai Lama was recently in Ottawa speaking about how his "religion is kindness."

I then had the fortune to be in a class with Khenmo Drolma who is the Abbess of the Vajra Dakini Nunnery in Vermont. Khenmo comes to Haliburton annually because she loves the area and has good friends here.

During her recent visit to Haliburton, she came to Blue Sky Yoga Studio and offered a teaching on radiating kindness.

Her suggestion is that we can strengthen our kindness muscles just as we strengthen our hamstrings and core muscles. And she is talking about being kind to ourselves as well as to all the people who cross our paths.

Khenmo is a wonderful storyteller who uses everyday images that everyone can relate to. She started the session by talking about Buddhism as a study of the mind. It is a regular practice where we each get to know our own minds, in a friendly and curious way.

Khenmo suggested that although we as human beings are surrounded by new technology and inventions all the time,

our minds are very similar to the minds of people who lived thousands of years ago. Our minds still have the same conditions of being an elephant. (Her examples included a wild elephant running down a path, knocking people over in its way, or a monkey mind hopping from one thought to another, or a mind that is calm and clear and still like a beautiful lake.)

Khenmo went on to teach that the Buddhists believe we

each have the capacity to have minds like the great teachers such a Mother Teresa, Ghandi or Jesus. It just takes practice, just as learning to drive a car takes practice. Kindness is a skill and a habit that can be developed and strengthened by everyone.

Khenmo and the other teachers at the nunnery are starting to record their teachings and posting them on their website. Khenmo did tape our session and if the sound quality is good enough it will be posted on the Vajra website (www. vajradakininunnery.org). During our session with Khenmo, Hydro One was cutting trees and chipping the wood just outside the studio, so I'm not sure what the sound quality will be like. The great thing is that this talk, and other talks are free to anyone who visits the site. It is an excellent resource.

I love how technology is being used to spread the ancient, but still so relevant teachings.



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Turkey for dinner

UST IN CASE you didn't catch the press release, I called in and tagged a gobbler last Friday. Aside from being an important moment in our national history – something that the Canadian Mint will probably want to recreate on the face of a coin one day – this also means that I will be having turkey for dinner tonight.

Not the whole turkey, mind you – that's a rookie's mistake. It goes without saying, but bears repeating, just in case any new turkey hunter is wondering. Never eat the whole bird in one sitting.



Steve Galea Loon Tales

It's not that you can't or even shouldn't for fear of gluttony. No, the reason is much more important than that. You see, each time you sit down for a wild turkey dinner, you also sit down for a re-telling of the story to a completely captive audience. Finish it in one sitting and you've robbed your loved ones of that repetitive joy.

It's important to process your turkey with this in mind. My gobbler, for instance, is divided into seven parts that allow for six meals and one soup or stew. That means I love my family

enough to re-tell the story seven times.

Needless to say, there is an art to this.

First, don't tell them you are having turkey for dinner – at least not after the first couple of times.

Then, make the production unique and put your own personal mark on it.

While some hunters overdo it, I happen to prefer the traditional way – by having one of the kids slowly bring the platter in response to my calling. If at all possible, I'll get them to simulate the manner in which the turkey came in – how he stopped and strutted, his response to my calling, that kind of thing – so that it augments the telling of the story.

Time it right, provide clear cues and direction, and the simulated shot sequence should happen just as the platter reaches the table.

I know what you are thinking. What if hens and jakes came in with the gobbler you duped? Well, that's where the other kids, your spouse or guests come in. That's why it's such a family affair. Everyone can play a part.

Make your own magic moments, but try not to overdo it. Our wild turkey dinner pageant is tasteful and subdued – with hardly any costumes, feathers, excessive calling, ground blinds or simulated gunfire.

Too much of that is not good for the digestion.

Besides, it seems to me that people actually want to hear the story told in great detail without all that distraction. Maybe it's just me, but I think if they have to duck for cover when surprised by the sound of simulated shots, they miss out on key phrases like, "And that was the end of the gobbler of cedar swamp ..."

Trust me. You don't want to rob them of that.

No, it's best to spread the story out with phrases like, "Even when he first put his beak through his egg shell two springs ago, you could tell he was special ... pass the potatoes please ..."

Build up the suspense. Make your family and friends care about the characters involved.

Sometimes I like to stop the story and ask what they think I should do next.

Believe me, that keeps them on their toes.

The point is do it right. After all, everyone loves to talk turkey.



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letters to the editor

Lending a helping hand

To the Editor,

A few days ago something wonderful happened to me in our beautiful Haliburton.

I had bought a barbecue at one of our local merchants and the clerk and I were trying to wrestle it into my car, without success. A passerby, whom I barely knew, came back after going to his car, and offered to take it to my home, even though I live 15 kilometres out of his way. I accepted the offer and he followed me home, bringing a young man with him so that I wouldn't have to help lift it out of the car. Then, when I tried to at least pay for his fuel to come out so far, he refused to accept any money.

This good deed reaffirms why I am so fortunate to live in Haliburton County. If this were the city, no-one would offer to help, and if someone did, I would be afraid to accept their offer, wondering if they had an ulterior motive. But people here care about one another and help one another.

This is what a community is all about and why I am so glad that I chose to live here.

Thank you, FT, and thank you to the residents of Haliburton for making this such a great place to live.

Judy Neimann

Liberal critic holding public Q and A

Carolyn Bennett, Liberal critic for aboriginal affairs and northern economic development, is holding a public discussion and Q and A session on a wide range of topics of interest and concern to residents of Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock and everyone who cares about Canada.

Date - Friday, May 25

Time - noon to 2 p.m.

Location – Lindsay Inn, 354 Lindsay St. South, Lindsay

We are interested in listening to your concerns about matters such as poverty and unemployment, seniors, veterans, the environment, the Trent-Severn Waterway, and a host of other issues that affect you and our society in general. We want to know what you think the Government of Canada should be doing.

For further information contact:

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Jane Taylor Eastwood (jntaylor@sympatico.ca)

Submitted by the office of Carolyn Bennett

Society experiencing driver shortage

Jenn Watt

Editor

If it weren't for his volunteer drivers, Ken Drouillard literally doesn't know where he'd be.

"I don't know. I really don't know. I would have had to move," says the 73-year-old Kinmount resident, who has been shuttled to and from cancer treatments for about two years by Canadian Cancer Society drivers.

Ken and Margery Drouillard live about 17 kilometres down a country road and Margery doesn't drive.

Ken has treatments for his multiple myloma every Friday and is unable to drive himself.

'We're on a fixed income. I don't have \$190 to pick out of the air [for each ride]," he says. "It's been a Godsend for

The Canadian Cancer Society provides these drivers free of charge to those attending treatments away from home, paying the drivers for their mileage, but not for their time.

The drivers do the work for personal fulfilment and to do something good for the community, says volunteer driver

In 2003, the prostate cancer survivor started doing the drives to help others going through the frightening dis-

"I felt I could do more and get involved somehow," says a modest Ratcliff, who had already helped form the Minden prostate support group.

He remembers his own experience with radiation treatment and the ill-advised decision he made.

"I was being too independent," he admits. "I found getting near the end of my treatments I was falling asleep driving home."

He sometimes had to stop for naps.

In retrospect, Ratcliff says he should have called the Cancer Society. Not only is treatment physically draining, but your mind isn't on the road when you're worrying about your health and the therapy you'll have to go through.

"When I went down ... I got a speeding ticket [one week] and again for another trip," he says.

"It's dangerous in that regard."

Now Ratcliff provides rides to others and also gives them a safe place to chat about treatments.

"Drivers can't give medical advice, but we can listen," he

Ken says he's thankful for that side of the service, too.

"You get to a point where you're so tired of it all ... I hate laying it on [Margery] all the time. You have to talk about

In the Minden area, there are nine volunteer drivers who take turns transporting patients to various appointments in Cobourg, Peterborough, Orillia, Toronto, Oshawa and

Volunteer transportation convenor Elaine Anderson is thankful to each one, but she says she needs more.

In 2011, her small army of drivers chalked up nearly 75,000 kilometres on the road. In 2010, they put in just more than 94,000 kilometres.

"I don't know if I've ever had the ideal number of volunteers," Anderson laughs.

The convenor, who has been co-ordinating all of the trip schedules without pay for 12 years, would like to have four or five more to make her job easier and to ensure cancer patients aren't left stranded.

Not that a patient has ever been.

'We've been close," Anderson says, noting that the society cannot guarantee there will always be a volunteer, but they try their best.

Some months, the drivers with more time pick up the slack created by a volunteer shortfall.

In April, for example, Ratcliff had one of his busiest months, racking up 2,000 kilometres.

Anderson co-ordinates about 35 rides a month with her

small roster of drivers.

Sometimes they take several patients at once and sometimes patients have to wait for a few hours at the hospital

to accommodate scheduling.
"We don't mind that at all," Ken assures. "You never hear the clients complain."

The Canadian Cancer Society pays 30 cents a kilometre to drivers and depends on their generosity for the rest.

Most of the drivers - Anderson estimates about 95 per cent - are seniors that have more times to do the driving.

Part-time workers would also have the spare time to do the rides, which can take many hours out of one's day. Volunteers are required to have a reliable vehicle, valid licence and attend a Cancer Society training course.

For all the sacrifice of time and energy involved, the payback for volunteers is huge.

According to Ken Drouillard, volunteers are saving

"Without the society, there's just no way I could have done it," he says.

"I wouldn't be here. You guys saved my life. Simple," he says to Anderson.

And as soon as he gets better: "you'll have another

To sign up to be a volunteer driver in the Minden area (including Dorset, Kinmount, Lochlin areas as well), you can contact Anderson at 705-286-2898.

The Haliburton area also needs more drivers, especially those able to drive in the Wilberforce, Gooderham and Apsley areas. The convenor for that area is Cyntha Goodison (705-448-9176).

When donating to the society, you can also specify that the money goes to the transportation program by writing "transportation" on the memo line of your cheque. The society is also looking for volunteers for other aspects of its work and to start up a Haliburton Highlands branch. Call Lisa Werry 705-754-0366 for more information.



20 reasons to sing

The Highlands Festival Singers conductor Melissa Stephens directs her singers during a rehearsal day before the Our Favourites 20th anniversary Spring 2012 Concert at the Haliburton United Church on Tuesday, May 8. The singers performed close to 20 songs, which included famous musicals such as Les Miserables and medleys at a concert May 13 at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion. They were also accompanied by Lauren McInnes and flautist Tom Regina.

Darren Lum Staff



Red Camaro this year's draw prize

Darren Lum

Staff reporter

For more than 60 years the Rotary Club of Haliburton has run its draw for a brand new car or a cash prize. It is a major fundraiser for the service club and has brought in much of the money they donate to various causes and organizations.

Andrew Hodgson of the Rotary Club of Haliburton said

this is the single largest fundraiser for the club in the year.

"The Haliburton Rotary Club pours over \$75,000 a year into our community and this car draw is critical to that. We support dozens of local charities from the proceeds," Hodgson said.

It has raised money for the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation and the Food for Kids Program to name a few.

Hodgson said the draw accounts for 85 per cent of all the money raised by the local service club.

This year the draw's prize is a 2012 red Camaro convertible or \$30,000.

Get your tickets from Rotarians or find draw forms online at www.clubrunner.ca and look to the side for download forms. There are 6,500 tickets available.

Single tickets are \$20, three for \$50 and seven for \$100.

Last year's winner, Kyle Murdock of Waterloo, took the cash prize.

The winner will be announced after the fireworks show close to 10 p.m. at the Summer Carnival on Aug. 8.



Darren Lum Staff

Rotary Club of Haliburton members Andrew Hodgson and Andy Salvatori hold one of only 6,500 Rotary Car Draw tickets available to win the 2012 Camaro convertible they stand beside or \$30,000.



Dedicated fans

Colorado Avalanche hockey player Matt Duchene signs a jersey worn by Ciara Neving, 9, while her dad, Tom, watches. Tom is a lifetime Avalanche/Nordiques fan from Brighton and brought Ciara to the M&M CharityBarbecue Day on May 12 after hearing Duchene would be there. Thanks to Duchene and the Moose FM on-location announcements, organizers said they had 213 more hamburgers and hotdogs sold than last year, raising close to \$3,200, including star and coupon book sales, for the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of Canada. The nationwide campaign has been run for 24 years.

Darren Lum Staff



\$5,000 worth of joyful tears

Darren Lum

Staff reporter

They couldn't believe it when they heard it.

And minutes after the announcement they were still in disbelief, practically unable to breathe, giggling and laughing in anticipation of telling the good news to the 4Cs food bank.

The Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Grade 10 students Jessie Burk, Allana Paul, Jamie Scheffel, Taylor Sands and Montana Griffin earned \$5,000 with their Youth and Philanthropy Initiative (YPI) presentation on the 4Cs food bank.

They were one of four Grade 10 finalist groups who presented to an audience of their peers at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion on Wednesday, May 16.

They presented on the 4Cs to earn the YPI grant, which motivates Grade 9 and 10 students in Ontario, Quebec and New Brunswick to learn about local charities' importance and function within the community, empowering students to advocate for a chosen charity.

Alanna didn't expect to win after seeing the other presentations.

"Seeing the other presentations you kind of start to doubt yourself. Well, how can we compete against them? They have someone playing the keyboard. They have someone playing the guitar and we didn't have our video set up," she said.

"We had music and that didn't work either."

Many of the members held back tears when they were chosen.

Each of them has made clothing donations in the past because of how much it has meant to them personally.

Taylor knows this money can help the 4Cs right away.
"I'm really happy we got it," she said,

"I'm really happy we got it," she said, adding after talking to a volunteer it gave her even more reason to win. "They were kind of running low [on donations] and wanted to expand [the building], but it's expensive."

The group pointed out the usage this past month was by 267 families. They couldn't believe how much the food bank is needed in the community and wanted others to know too.

A four-member panel, comprising of HHSS teacher Paul Longo and last year's winning group members (Jessica Duchene, Brigitta Hicks and Ali Hicks), judged based on the content, impact and the overall presentation.

The judges took a few minutes and based their decision on the 4Cs' need.

Last year the winning group won the grant for the Minden Food Bank, which had never been presented before let alone picked as a winner.

All of the winners and a charity representative are invited to the May gala in



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Grade 10 Haliburton Highlands Secondary School students Jamie Scheffel, left seated, Montana Griffin, Jessie Burk, Taylor Sands laugh as they watch Allana Paul get accidentally hung up on attempting to give the 4Cs Food Bank the good news that they won \$5,000 through the Youth and Philanthropy Initiative in the school office on Wednesday, May16. Their group was among four finalists who presented to an audience of their peers and were judged by a four-person panel. They left the good news with a volunteer at the food bank.

Toronto on Thursday, May 24.

There were three other groups show-cased at the Haliburton theatre that provided presentations with music, information, taped interviews and slide presentations. SIRCH had the duo of Roman Gardiner and Spencer Truman while Point in Time (with two groups) was represented first by Charlene Hicks, Tanisha Gordon, Shyanna Smith and Kathleen Tedford then in the second group by Hanna Reddering, Kat Coneybeare, Cassidy Havill and Jamie Pyl.

YPI is part of an umbrella of philanthropy programs funded by the Toskan Casale Foundation, which is a family foundation founded by the founders of M.A.C. Cosmetics (Julie Toskan-Casale, her husband Victor Casale and brother Frank Toskan) in 2001.

This is the fourth year the school has participated and there is no charge for participants who completed the presentations as part of civics education.

The YPI representative Sarah Howson was impressed by the presentations, referring to the finalists as the best she's seen among the four schools she has visited.

She thanked the teachers, students and, in particular, HHSS teacher Roland Zilla for his work and encouragement.

"It's inspiring to see how you've become advocates for social change by presenting on your selected charities. I believe the success of YPI will continue after this assembly ends."

With files from Echo archive



They were kind of running low [on donations] and wanted to expand [the building], but it's expensive.

— Taylor Sands

Opening life's possibilities through literacy



SBES reading program celebrates its volunteers in its 10th year

Darren Lum

Staff reporter

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It's the estimated number of books read by the Grade 2s and 3s of Stuart Baker Elementary School between October and mid-May through the Volunteer Reading Program, which pairs adult readers with the students.

This achievement is a testament to the program's focus on fostering a love of literacy owed to the students and the close to 20 adult volunteers.

The adults spent 20 minutes (or 40 minutes for an additional reader) at a time, twice a week, reading to and with the children. The program, which had just three male volunteers this past year, is in dire need of male readers for the male students. Volunteers are needed for daytime hours at the school.

With children choosing the book, the only thing needed is encouragement and

patience, a volunteer said. This helps all students, particularly those that struggle with reading.

The entire group was recognized for their efforts with a celebratory event in the playground of the school. It included founder of the program Nancy Bishop.

Students received Dr. Seuss certificates, appropriately reading, "Oh, the Places You'll Go" across the top while the adult volunteers received school mugs and crafted bookmarks with comments of appreciation written by their partners.

The program ended for this year on Wednesday, May 16.

Volunteer Christine Miller summed it up best, saying she got as much satisfaction and reward from volunteering as the students got in having their lives enriched with reading.

Call the school to inquire about volunteering at 705-457-1342.

Darren Lum Staff

A Stuart Baker Elementary School Grade 2 student laughs, at the size of his bubble during the school's volunteer reading program appreciation event on Thursday, May 17. There were several activities such as bubble flowing shared by the volunteer readers and their reading buddies.

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Celebrating 30 years

Photos by Darren Lum

Walker's Heating and Cooling Systems co-owner Jerry Walker had reason to smile May 12, celebrating his 30th anniversary with a courtesy barbecue at his Haliburton shop. Walker started the business alone with one truck and worked out of his house for several years. Now he is one year from retirement and the business has grown to 12 employees and 10 vehicles. His nephew, co-owner, Scott Neilson, will take over when Walker







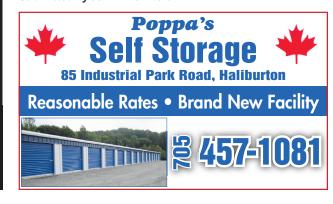
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Emmerson wins

Ryan Emmerson, left, was the big winner of the York Modulating Propane Furnace valued at \$5,500. Walker's Heating and Cooling represented by Scott Neilson and Jerry Walker gave the unit away to celebrate 30 years in business. Submitted by Jen Maher-Welch



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Community invited to participate in **Dusk Dances performance**

Jenn Watt

Editor

Calling all dancers and non-dancers alike.

Dusk Dances is leaping into new territory with a special performance created for Haliburton including a cast of local residents.

Choreographed by longtime Dusk Dance performers Kate Franklin and Meredith Thompson, Incandescence is a piece of contemporary dance that will harness the power of community.

All they need is you.

"We wanted to share a dance experience with people who are not necessarily dancers," said Franklin in an interview from Toronto.

She and Thompson envision the dance starting out small with just the two of them and blossoming to include another 50 people, ideally.

"What we see right now is a beautiful nice walking pattern and improvisational score [at the beginning] ... Later on, we envision ending the piece with more of a flash mob kind of idea with simple dance that people can do for a couple of minutes," Franklin said.

They hope to make a video of the event.

Franklin has worked on similar projects including two flash mobs with the National Ballet School of Canada that involved many people with no dance experience.

The message is: if you want to dance, you can do it no matter your skill or experience level.

'You have to ease in a little bit. Meredith and I will start quite slowly and ease people in," Franklin said.

The pair feel a closeness to this community, because they have been dancing here since 2007 and have developed tight relationships with local organizers including Jim Blake and Daniela Pagliaro.

"We had an urge to involve the actual people of the community in our dance," Franklin said. "Haliburton, we thought, would work very well in particular."

Anyone interested must respond by May 26 and there are six rehearsals leading up to Dusk Dances, which is performed July 19 to 22 in Haliburton's Head Lake Park

Even if you can't make all of the rehearsals or all of the performances, Dusk Dances wants you.

If you're interested in participating, please call or email Pagliaro at 705-457-8917 or daniela.p@sympatico.ca.

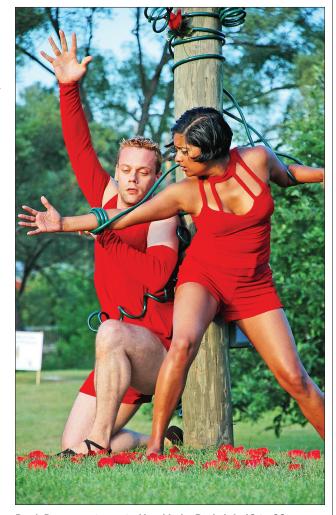


Highland Storm Registration

Tuesday May 15th & Thursday May 17th From 7pm to 9pm **Archie Stouffer Elementary School**

Tuesday May 22nd & Thursday May 24th From 7pm to 9pm Haliburton Highlands Secondary School

Register on these dates to avoid paying penalties



Dusk Dances returns to Head Lake Park July 19 to 22. This year, a special dance has been created to involve the community. /File photo



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Please register by calling or emailing Bev Evans 705-749-3250 bevans@wdb.ca



The Man of a Thousand Songs

Ron Hynes performs to a packed crowd at the Wild Moose Restaurant and Pub on Sunday, May 13. Facilitated by the Haliburton County Folk Society, the concert featured Hynes, who is regarded as The Man of a Thousand Songs. See the society website for more concerts and open mike nights (www.haliburtonfolk.com).

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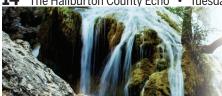
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Haliburton County Outdoors by Steve Galea



My favourite insect repellent

Every outdoors enthusiast loves to be outside in spring. Fishing, turkey hunting, paddling and generally walking around in the newly greened woods all provide great experiences.

All this is fine, but I can't think of anyone who enjoys being bitten by mosquitoes, black flies and their evil minions.

This, of course, is why the insect repellent industry is booming. It's why they've come up with countless innovative ways to repel biting insects – everything from DEET-based products to citronella. They all work to varying degrees, but my favourite these days, is the Thermacell Mosquito Repellent Unit.

And we can thank women who curl their hair for this. You see, the heating technology in a thermacell unit was first used by the company in their curling irons and other tools before some genius thought to add a pad saturated with insect repellent

Essentially, it's a portable unit that uses a mini-igniter to burn butane from a small cartridge. The little flame produced heats a tiny grill which in turn heats a pad saturated with allethrin. This is a synthetic version of a repellent that naturally occurs in chrysanthemum flowers.

The company claims that is is 98 per cent effective in repelling mosquitoes, black flies and no-see-ums while not harming humans or pets. Visit their website at www.thermacell. com and you'll see impressive results from field tests all over

the world.

I was first sent one of these things about three years ago and I'll admit I was skeptical. But, boy, was I proven wrong. My Thermacell has been a godsend any time the bugs were bad and, frankly, I won't go turkey hunting or trout fishing in streams without it anymore. When combined with the right clothing, you literally get away unscathed.

The down side is that this unit is not cheap to operate. Refill cartridges and pads that last about 12 hours cost just about a dollar an hour. So, you use it sparingly at times when bugs are really bad.

Another thing to be aware of is that they heat up. So, even though the flame is contained, if you lean them up against something flammable you've got potential for a fire. That's something I discovered two years ago when I turned mine off after a morning of turkey hunting and placed it on a coat in the back of my vehicle. Luckily, I saw the smoke and ended it before things got embarrassingly out of hand.

Having said that, they are perfect for the hunter. First, because they allow you to sit perfectly still without swatting mosquitoes. Second because they put out a natural scent that doesn't seem to alarm game like bears.

If this sounds like a bit of a commercial, so be it. In my opinion, the Thermacell Mosquito Repellent Unit, GPS and trail camera are the best outdoors tools to come down the pike in

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Time for tea

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Tracey Green, left, owner and operator of the newly opened Momma G's, makes a smoothie for customers during the grand opening on Wednesday, May 16. Green offers 60 varieties of loose leaf tea, hot and iced, specialety coffees, including pastries. Momma G's offers tea parties, renting or leasing the space for bridal showers or business training to name a few examples. It is located at 156 Highland St. in Haliburton and is opened seven days a week from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Call them at 705-457-TEAS.





Don't invite black bears to the cottage

Most human-bear conflicts occur when bears are attracted by smells and rewarded with an easy meal. When bears pick up a scent with their keen noses, they will investigate it - even at your cottage. If bears are rewarded with feasts of bird food, garbage or pet food, they will return as long as the food source is available. It takes all cottagers working together to eliminate these attractants and to stop bear problems. Here are some tips to help avoid these unwanted visitors.

If you would like to report a bear problem, call 1-866-514-2327. In a life-threatening emergency, call 911 or the local police.

What cottagers can do:

- Never leave garbage behind. If you must leave before garbage day, or if you do not have curbside collection, take your garbage with you when you go. Take it to an approved waste disposal site.
 - Fill bird feeders only through the winter months.
- Never purposely feed bears (or other wildlife) or try to approach them.
- Put garbage in containers that have tight fitting lids, and only put it out on garbage day, not the night before.
- Store garbage in a bear-resistant container, secure shed or garage. Do not store garbage in plywood boxes, old freezers or vehicles.
- Do not stockpile garbage. Take it to an approved waste disposal site regularly.

- Keep meat scraps in the freezer until garbage day.
- Remove grease and food residue from barbecue grills, including the grease trap, after each use.
- Do not put meat, fish or sweet food (including fruit) in your composter.
- Pick all ripe fruit off trees, and remove vegetables and fallen fruit from the ground.
- Encourage your neighbours to practise Bear Wise hab-
- If you rent your cottage, tell your tenants the importance of being Bear Wise.
- You are responsible for your own personal safety. Take precautions when you are outdoors.

One in three Canadian kids are left sitting on the sidelines



In Canada, one in three families cannot afford to enrol their children in organized sport or recreation activities because of financial barriers (Vision Critical 2011).

Ever since she was a little girl, 17-year-old Casey, knew she wanted to play professional golf, but her family's budget was stretched with a busy household of seven young children.

"We knew that Casey had extraordinary talent, but we could not afford the expensive membership and green fees," said Casey's mom, Julie MacNeil." The last thing we wanted was to keep her off the golf course due to affordability. She had such big dreams for herself."

Kids who are able to participate in organized sport and recreation, outside of school hours, gain many short and long term benefits including increased self-esteem, greater self-confidence, leadership skills, and better grades.

'The benefits of kids participating in sports affects their entire lives, not just their childhood years," said Dan Thompson, President, Canadian Tire Jumpstart Charities. "Programs like Canadian Tire Jumpstart are dedicated to removing barriers so financially disadvantaged children can participate in organized sport and recreation.'

Despite the financial hardships many Canadian parents are facing, there is a way to get kids into the game, no matter what barrier. By covering the cost of registration, equipment and/or transportation, Canadian Tire Jumpstart has helped 417,835 children like Casey get in the game.

"We couldn't be more proud of what our daughter has accomplished." said Casev's mom. "This year Casev is heading off to Charleston Southern University on a full golf scholarship and we have Jumpstart to thank for giving her the opportunity to continue to perfect her game."

Help kids in your community by visiting Canadian Tire, Mark's and Canadian Tire Gas+ stores and Pita Pit locations throughout the month of May and on Jumpstart Day, Saturday, May 26, 2012, to donate \$2 in exchange for a red ball, with all proceeds going to Canadian Tire Jumpstart. Visit www.canadiantire.ca/jumpstart to learn more.

Reads of the week



Book of the Week:

419 by Will Ferguson

Have you ever received an email promising a multimillion dollar inheritance or lottery win in poorly worded English? Have you ever wondered who would fall for this kind of scam? Have you ever considered who it is that is trying to dupe you? 419, a new novel by acclaimed Canadian writer Will Ferguson thoughtfully answers these questions. When Laura's father gets caught up in one such swindle and pays with his life, she is forced to leave the comfort of North America to make a journey deep into the dangerous back streets and alleyways of Lagos. Her intention is to confront her father's killer but she finds herself caught up in a mystery much larger than she could have imagined. You can reserve 419 today at the Haliburton County Public Library.

Junior Book of the Week -**Picture Book Title:**

The French Fry King by Rogé

Roger is a sausage dog who is destined for incredible things! He is not like other dogs and certainly not kind of dog that would chase the mailman or bark at passing cars—all of that bores him. He longs to be human, and spends a great deal of time dreaming about his future. For Roger, happiness will only come when he becomes King of the French Fries! But will this bring him true happiness? Written and illustrated by acclaimed French

Canadian artist, Rogé, this wonderful new story will charm young readers and French fry lovers the world over! You can find The French Fry King at the Haliburton County Public Library.



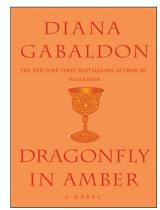
Local Celebrity Read:

Constable Sandy Adams of the OPP is reading Dragonfly in Amber, the second book in Diana Gabaldon's Outlander series. Outlander introduced readers to Claire Randall, a former combat nurse, who is taken from her present time

of 1945 and sent back to a war-torn Scotland circa 1743, where she finds romance with a young warrior named Jaime. In *Dragonfly in Amber*, we find Claire back in her own time, year 1968, now with a daughter named Brianna. The story once again returns to the past, where Outlander left off, with Jamie and Claire headed to Paris on their next adventure.

The series was recommended to me by a colleague. I never would have picked it up myself but after I read the first book I was addicted," says Adams. "The best part of the Outlander books is that you feel like you are physically present in the story, and they are fairly easy reads considering how thick the books are. I'd recommend the series to anyone who is interested in Scottish history, or the history of the Highlanders. Or to anyone who likes adventure novels, for sure."

"The books have a good flow," concludes Adams. "I absolutely will continue the series."

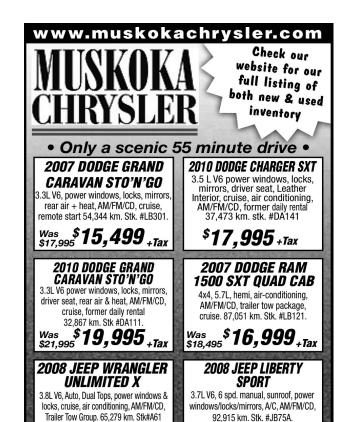


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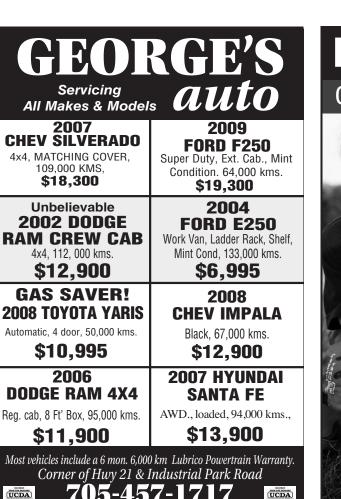
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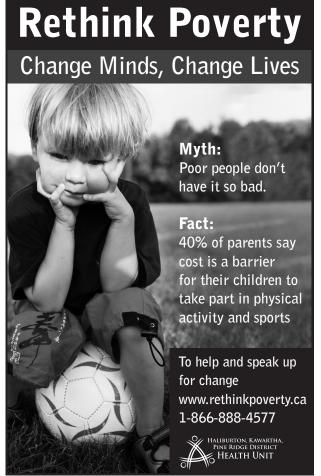


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Special to the *Times*

Tom Thomson is well known for his time painting in Algonquin Park, but what is lesser known is the man's passion for photography.

With this in mind, Rob Stimpson of the Huntsville Art Soci-

ety came up with the idea to host a photography exhibit in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of Thomson beginning his painting career in the park.

Being held at the Art Exhibit in Huntsville from May 11 to May 25, the Chasing Tom photo exhibit will feature the work of 13 photographers from the area. The photo's selected were submissions selected by Sandra Dupret, the dean at the Haliburton School of the Arts, Fleming College.

"It has been widely speculated as to what else Thomson would have accomplished, what direction his art would have taken had he lived out a normal life span," says Stimpson. "This exhibition will explore our interpretation of what he might have done as a photographer in the modern age.'

Photographers were challenged to think like Thomson when taking and submitting photographs.

We said to photographers, if he did and digital photography was available to him, what do you think he would have done?" says Stimpson, who also ran the Winter Colours photo exhibit in Huntsville. "He was also an avid photographer, which a lot of people don't know. I had everybody submit four prints, four digital images. We're very excited about it. Some beautiful work has been submitted."

According to Stimpson, records of Thomson's indicate he lost exposed film when his canoe overturned in a set of rapids on the Mississagi River in 1912.

In 1967, a number of his photographs were found, some documenting a moment, others with more of a artistic feel giving us a sense of how he handled another medium. Many of these photos are in the National Gallery of Canada, but Stimpson has been in contact with the gallery and will have some photos to show at the Chasing Tom Exhibit.



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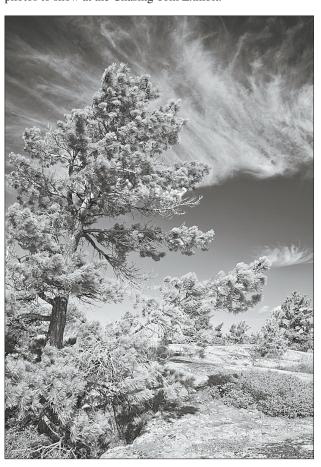


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One of the pieces on display at Chasing Tom. Photo taken by Rob Stimpson

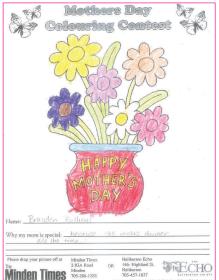
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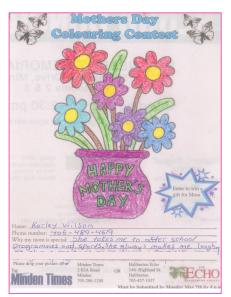
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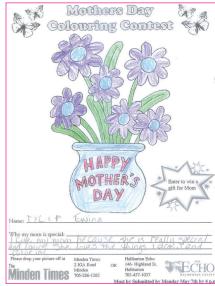
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May 23: Wilberforce Elementary Turtle Talk from 7pm-8:30pm located at the Lloyd Watson Community Centre. Admission by donation to the Kawartha Turtle Trauma Centre for more info call 705-448-2421

May 23: Seniors Shuffleboard registration. 9:30am-11:30am at Hyland Crest Auditorium call Wayne Jones for more info at 705-286-3465

May 26: Spring plant sale on at the Village Green in downtown Minden, 10 AM sharp. All of the plants are grown by our members

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June 10: Highlands Wind Symphony Spring Concert, introducing Chamber Orchestra 3pm located at the Northern lights Performing Arts Pavilion Tickets adults \$10 students \$5 Family pass \$25, available at Masters Book store or Minden Pharmasave for more info call Andy at 705-457-2100 or Kelly at 705-286-3377 May

June 12: LINDSAY - St. John Ambulance CPR Level A course: Course fee \$59.00. Course runs from 8:30a.m.-3:00p.m. Also available: Emergency First Aid with CPR Level A or C course; Level A course runs 8:30a.m.-4:30p.m. and costs \$84. Level C course runs 8:30a.m.-5:30p.m. and costs \$94. All courses are at Victoria Park Armoury at 210 Kent. St. W. For more information or to pre-register, please call 705-324-9894 or email sjalindsay@bellnet.ca

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Please submit events by the Wednesday prior to the requested publication date.

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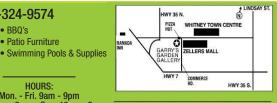
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Avoiding mosquitoes

After a bad year in 2011 for West Nile virus activity in Ontario, local health officials are encouraging people to get off to a good start this year by ruining a mosquito's love life.

Cleaning up outside to eliminate potential breeding sites for mosquitoes can help reduce the risk of West Nile virus, says Atul Jain, manager of environmental health with the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit. With the upcoming Victoria Day long weekend, it is also a perfect time

Many people will be outside this long weekend working in the yard or garden, and we just ask them to consider cleaning up areas where mosquitoes can breed," he says. "Infected mosquitoes can spread West Nile virus to people, so by controlling the mosquito population, there is less of a risk of being bitten and getting sick."

Jain urges people to remove standing water around their homes or cottages. Mosquitoes need stagnant water to lay their eggs, and even small amounts will do such as that found in bird baths, old tires and unused containers. Other clean up ideas to control the mosquito population include keeping bushes and shrubs clear of overgrowth and debris, since adult mosquitoes like to rest in dense shrubbery; turning over compost piles on a regular basis; and checking that window and door screens fit tight and do not have holes through which mosquitoes can enter the home.

Local residents are also encouraged to cover up when outside to reduce their risk of West Nile virus. Applying federally registered insect repellent on exposed skin (such as products containing DEET) can keep mosquitoes at bay. Wearing longsleeved shirts, jackets, pants, hats and socks can also help, especially between dusk and dawn when mosquitoes are most active.

While most people who get West Nile virus do not experience any symptoms, a small number of individuals may develop flu-like symptoms such as high fever, severe headache, muscle weakness and stiff neck. In a few cases, says Jain, people may develop more serious symptoms, including confusion, tremours and sudden sensitivity to light. People who suspect they have West Nile virus should seek immediate

It is difficult predicting how serious West Nile virus will be in any given year, Jain notes. In 2011, Ontario experienced a very busy year with 278 pools, or batches, of mosquitoes testing positive for West Nile virus across the province - a five-fold increase over 2010.

Testing also confirmed that 78 Ontarians contracted West Nile virus in 2011, a number that exceeded the combined total of human cases of West Nile for the previous five years. However in the health unit region that includes Northumberland County, Haliburton County and the City of Kawartha Lakes, no West Nile virus activity was detected last year.

In 2012, the health unit will continue to trap mosquitoes to check for the presence of West Nile virus. However, dead birds are no longer collected to be tested for West Nile virus. If local residents want to report unusual deaths in wild birds, they can contact the Canadian Co-operative Wildlife Service directly at 1-866-673-4781. The Wildlife Service will determine if the specimen is suitable for testing for West Nile virus. For more information, call the health unit at 1-866-888-4577 or visit www.hkpr.on.ca.

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Sports

Red Hawks hold on to playoff dreams

Darren Lum

Staff reporter

Call them lucky, but don't count them

The Red Hawks senior girls' soccer team is poised for greatness after a dominating performance in their wildcard playoff game against Brock High School.

Haliburton may have been given an unlikely playoff berth when St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Secondary School bowed out of the wildcard playoff spot due to a double booking, but they took full advantage of the situation, blowing out the visitors (who were close to 30 minutes late) 5-0 on Friday, May 18.

Despite a convincing win in their last game of the season against the Fenelon Falls Secondary School, the Red Hawks still finished in fourth place, one shy of the wildcard spot.

In the wildcard playoff game, Haliburton attacked from the outset and carried the play to the flatfooted Brock squad with just one extra player.

The Red Hawks exploited this, regularly changing three and four players at a time, keeping the tempo high with fresh legs.

From the backfield of Laura Pottier, Kate Denniston, Lily Coneybeare and Jamie Dack there was sustained pressure, working lobs into the corners, deep in the Brock end and repelling attacks with timely marking or clearing through balls.

The coaches said communication and coverage of each other has been key for this game and the season.

The Red Hawks have made sure to include their goalkeeper Jenn Woolacott as part of the defending options mix, making it easier for her to attack loose balls, getting covered on the back side by her team-

Everything was going well in the first half, leaving the home side with a 2 - 0 lead off the feet of Casey Pringle. She continues to develop her composure under pressure, putting defenders on the heels with her pace. Second-year senior Grace Diezel was surprised after the goalkeeper misplayed her shot taken from outside the box.

Although the second half started well, Haliburton's formidable balance and clean passes was momentarily lost, giving a sliver of hope to Brock.

All of that evaporated on one play.

The hard charging Haliburton keeper Jenn Woolacott nullified a Brock breakaway involving two players who got behind the Haliburton backfield. The stop proved timely, as the visitors were coming on and gaining momentum.

Red Hawks forward Pringle added an insurance marker, and the proverbial nail in the coffin, off of a misplayed shot taken by Bailey Walker for a 3-0 lead.

The ever-aggressive Maia O'Sullivan added a pair to give the team its win by the

Notable play came from Megan Allore, Jessica Bishop and Shay-Lynn Hutchings, who were composed under pressure and solid on their marking and clearing efforts. Chrissy Shaw also had a solid game holding her side of the field, defensively and offensively.

The team has been improving with each successive game and appears to be peaking at the right time, outscoring their last two opponents 8-1.

However, the coaches continue to stress to their team to maintain focus and avoid bunching up.

The long weekend was challenging to keep the momentum built, but the coaches take solace in the playoff game being

Wednesday instead of Tuesday.

The team will represent the North Central division and advances in the playoffs to face an undetermined team from the south region at Lindsay Collegiate Vocational Institute on Wednesday.

Coach Sharon Dibblee is not sure what team they will face and will just prepare her team to be the best can be.

"It's definitely a Cinderella story. You never know when the team comes from the south what they're going to be like because we haven't seen them and we haven't played other teams that played them. You just don't know how it's going to go," she



Darren Lum Staff

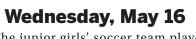
end during the Kawartha wildcard playoff game hosted by Haliburton on Friday, May 18. Haliburton cruised to 5-0 win and a chance at the Kawartha Championship with a sudden death day of playoffs in Lindsay on Wednesday.

Red Hawks defender Lily Coneybeare holds off a Brock High School player deep in her own

Hicks coloured gold

The following sports briefs were compiled

The Red Hawks senior girls' soccer team celebrates with Casey Pringle, left, and Maia O'Sullivan leading the way with a pair of goals in a 5-0 wildcard playoff win against the visiting Brock High School on Friday, May 18. Grace Diezel scored the insurance marker in the first half. Jenn Woolacott earned the shutout with a strong supporting backfield cast.



by Judi Paul's HHSS class

The junior girls' soccer team played a great game against Fenelon Falls and despite the loss should be very proud of their effort and amazing attitude all sea-

Thursday, May 17

Congratulations to our track team and the 38 athletes who have qualified for COSSA next week. Special mention to firstplace finishers Zach Alysworth, Andrew Murray, Haley Moore, Ali Hicks, Tom Paul, and Zane Zondervan. Top athlete of the day was Charlene Hicks with 3 first-place finishes and a new Kawartha record in the triple jump.

Win against Fenelon allowed Hawks wildcard spot

sharon Dibblee

Special to the Echo

The Red Hawks senior girls' soccer team played their best game of the season against the Fenelon Falls Secondary School in a must-win situation in their last regular season game. The Hawks defeated the Falcons with a score of 3-1 in Fenelon Falls on Wednesday, May 16.

With the win the team slid into fourth place and one place out of playoff contention. However, fate had other plans, giving a second chance to the Red Hawks who hosted the wildcard game against Port Hope because third place St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Secondary School bowed out due to a scheduling conflict.

(See story about the wildcard result, as on page 25.

The score doesn't tell the whole story.

The game was great to watch - it was a true team game. Players moved well on the field and were supported by teammates when they took a run out of position. It was the game the coaches have been waiting to see.

"We knew they had it in them, they just needed to gel as a team. It's too bad the season was so short—we are now ready to start," the coaches said.

The constant communication eliminated a lot of wasted energy that seen in other games as two players arrived at the same place at the same time. Early calling of the ball allowed teammates to make supporting runs for passes.

The passing game was much improved as well. With heads up, players could scan the field before a pass and it led to our team to have possession of the ball for most of the game.

Our first goal was credited to Maia O'Sullivan although it went in off a Falcons player. Shay-Lynn Hutchings scored the second goal of the game with a lovely shot from the left side taken at the top of the 18-yard box.

Grace Diezel scored off a long ball from the mid-field position proving that patience pays off. Grace has taken shots from all around the goal over the first four games of the season - today she put it in.

The ball doesn't end up in the net just due to the performance of the goal scorers. It starts in the backfield and moves right through the field.

A goal is the result of the whole team's efforts. We wouldn't have them without the strong performances of Jaimie Dack, Laura Pottier, Jessica Bishop and Megan Allore. Coaches Sharon Dibblee and Hilary Harpell are extremely proud of this team. They have learned so much in this short season. The potential for next year is so promising as only three players (Diezel, Lily Coneybeare and Chrissy Shaw) are graduating. We will miss Diezel's calm control of the mid-field, Coneybeare's consistent performance in the backfield and the multitasking Chrissy Shaw who played any position asked of her.

Good luck in the future girls - play for life!

Above, Red Hawks Chrissy Shaw, right, clears a ball during Haliburton's hosting of the wildcard playoff game against Brock High School on Friday, May 18. Haliburton cruised to a dominating 5-0 win and advanced to the sudden-death playoffs in Lindsay on Wednesday.





Highlands' riders enter week two of O-cup

Darren Lum

Staff reporter

Haliburton teen Owen Flood is proving it wasn't a fluke.

Flood, a competitor on the Ontario Cup mountain bike race series, duplicated his best finish with another third place in his second race of the season in Woodnewton, Uxbridge on Sunday, May 13.

"Well, the course had some technical areas and a lot of short steep hills. I am a good climber so the hills were in my favour helping me somewhat with my finish. Well, I would like to believe my training has paid off, but we are only two races in and I don't want to get ahead of myself," Flood said. "I still have to keep pushing myself when I'm

training so that I can keep my finishes the way they are."

He adds the rain-soaked course added greater challenges to the technical areas of the race, keeping him from improving on his career best. While his strength is climbing, he found it took an all out effort to maintain his position on the steep ascents.

Flood was just 27 seconds off the leader's pace, but less than a second from being runner-up.

Also, in the cadet sport division Trey Kyle

Nolan Flood in the peewee division (11 – 12 years) finished seventh and was 37 seconds off the leader's pace.

Nicholas Emsley came in 13th in the minime (13 - 14 years) and Kyle Lavergne was 28.

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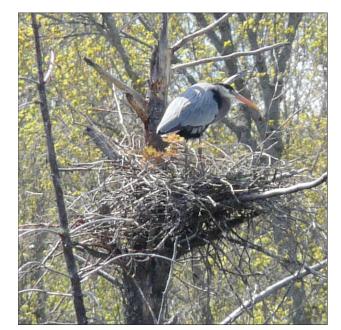


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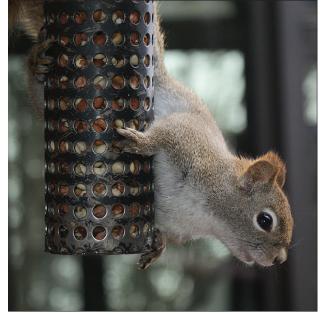
Pat and Mike Grinnell found a nesting heron near Loon Lake on Tuesday, May 10.



Belinda Gallagher snapped a photo of a fox and her kits enjoying the sunshine.



Linda Heeps took this photo of a bear she named Noreen.



Larry Holden saw this patient red squirrel getting all the peanuts out of his feeder.



Janet Sheehey took this photo of a little beaver trying to get onto her dock on May 14.



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What's at the bottom of Lake W

Maybelle's

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But who ever thinks about what's way down deep inside Lake W ... at the very

Well, ol' Maybelle's been thinking about it lately 'cause it reminds me of us humans. And how we think that who we are is what's on the outside of us. Our hair, teeth, lines, wrinkles, dimples, pimples, flab and fannies, hips, nips, nails, lips. What kind of truck we drive, boots we wear, and things we do.

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Well, I got news for you. Ol' Maybelle's been around long enough and seen enough to know that we are soooooo much more than what meets the eye. Why, if I had no job ... no teeth ... no hair ... crum-dum clothes ... would that be who I am?

Or just the opposite.

If I had a fancy shmancy job title and looked like a million bucks ... would that be who I am?

How about the part of me you can't see? The part that's way deep down inside like Lake WhaddyathinkImean. The part that's so smart it makes my body run like clockwork without me even thinking about it, don'tcha know.

And one thing I sure know ol' Maybelle is NOT are my

Why my poor mind runs without stopping, even in my sleep. "Monkey mind" some folks call it. And sometimes it's so clear to me that what I'm thinking is so different from how I'm feeling that I know for sure THAT'S not who I am. Half the time I can't even figure out how those thoughts got in there in the first place!

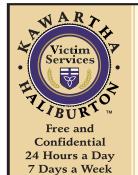
But on a night like this when the moon is so full I can feel a quiet place inside me that makes it clear as day that that's where the real I AM lives. Like way down deep at the bottom of Lake W, don'tcha know.

Maybelle's Fireside Stories is written by Jerelyn Craden. Maybelle's Cure for What Ails You, 21 of Maybelle's best short stories is now available at www.amazon.com.

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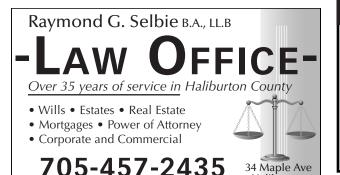
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1st place - Ray Mercer 2.607 lbs. 2nd place - Pat Conners 2.420 lbs 3rd place – Paul Rauba

2.365 lbs (first person to weigh in)

4th place - Cathy Robbine 2.365 lbs 5th place – Gord Lewis 1.507 lbs

There were 32 participants with 21 fish caught. Well done and a great day for fishing!

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President Mary Dunne congratulates the participants of the Lou Moody Memorial Rainbow Trout Fish Derby, held May 12. First and second place winners were absent at time of photo shoot. /Photo submitted

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Video gives voice to poverty in community

"There's definitely a lot of stigma attached to being poor ... People jump to conclusions that because you don't have a lot of money, you must be lazy.'

Stevi's voice is strained, as the single, working mother

Notices



Adoption of 2012 Budget

Council for the Municipality of Highlands East proposes to enact a by-law to adopt the 2012 Municipal Budget. Notice is hereby provided that a public meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 12, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers, Wilberforce, Ontario.

Irene S. Cook, CMO Clerk/CEMC Box 295, Wilberforce, Ontario K0L 3C0 1-705-448-2981 phone 1-705-448-1027 fax

discusses a myth about poverty she has heard many times. Stevi's situation is one of three local stories featured in a new Rethink Poverty video, produced by the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit and designed to raise awareness about poverty in the

Also profiled in the video are "Jeff" and "Shay," a couple trying to get their family off Ontario Works, and Pam," a mom who talks about her working family's struggles to make ends meet.

In the video, Stevi discusses the challenges of growing up as a self-described "poor kid" and facing financial hardships as a young adult. She soon realized the need to return to school to improve her education and chances of finding work. Now holding down a job, Stevi describes a simple satisfaction others might take for granted. "I feel so good to be able to cash a pay cheque and take my kids grocery shopping," she says. "That sounds like such a simple thing to do, to be able to let [my son] decide what he wants for dinner and go home and make it for him ...'

Stevi's words, and those of the others in the health unit's Rethink Poverty video, are meant to show local

residents that poverty - and the myths around it - is still a major problem in Haliburton County.

By the health unit's own estimate, nine per cent of Haliburton County children live in poverty. The health unit also calculates the cost of a Nutritious Food Basket for a family of four in the region is \$170.86 per week.

Given these costs, health unit staff worry that people on limited incomes may find it difficult to afford healthy foods when they have little money left over after paying for rent, clothing, utilities and other essentials.

"The Rethink Poverty video helps to give a voice to people in our community who struggle to make ends meet," says Rosie Kadwell, a registered dietitian. "By letting them tell their stories, we want to dispel myths and show that poverty is not a choice, but a reality for many families in our community."

The new video is part of the Rethink Poverty: Change Minds, Change Lives campaign (www.rethinkpoverty. ca) launched by the health unit.

The video, along with other resources, is available on the health unit's YouTube channel (www.youtube.com/ hkprdhu) and is also being shared on DVD with community agencies in the area.

Raising awareness on narcotics abuse

Haliburton County's Opioid Misuse Abuse and Reduction Committee (OMARC), is hosting two awareness events on Wednesday May 30 at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion in the Haliburton Highlands Sec-

ondary School.

On Wednesday, May 30 from 1 to 4 p.m., there will be an information workshop for service providers entitled All About Oxy . . . and Other Prescription Opioids. This workshop will feature presentations from a pharmacist, a methadone prescribing physician, an OPP drug enforce-

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Highlands East proposes to consider and if deemed advisable, to pass at its regular meeting

to be held at the Council Chambers, WILBERFORCE, Ontario on Tuesday, the 12th day of

June, 2012, at 9:00 a.m. By-Law to close, stop-up and convey to the adjacent land owners

IN THE MATTER OF THE MUNICIPAL ACT AND IN THE MATTER OF A PROPOSED

NOTICE IS HERE BY GIVEN, pursuant to the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, and the

Part of the Original Shore Road Allowance in front of Lot 2, Concession 4, Township of

Glamorgan, Municipality of Highlands East, County of Haliburton, shown as Part 2 on a Preliminary Plan of Survey made by Greg Bishop, O.L.S., dated December 6, 2011.

The Preliminary Plan of Survey as referred to above is available for inspection

during regular office hours (9:00a.m, to 4:30p.m., Monday to Friday) at the Municipality of

The above described lands, by resolution, have been declared to be surplus.

ment officer, an addictions counsellor, the manager of mental health services of Trillium Lakelands District School Board and a family member affected by addic-

On Wednesday, May 30 from 6 to 9 p.m., the public is encouraged to attend the event for free dinner and a movie. The movie is entitled *Prescription for Addiction* - a compelling documentary about addiction and prescription opioid pain drugs.

At the conclusion of the movie, there will be a discussion about the movie with the afternoon presenters on hand to answer any questions that the public may have. Dinner will include pizza and a cold drink, which will be

> served at 6 p.m. in the foyer outside of the theatre. The movie and discussion will begin at 7 p.m.

> "The fallout of prescription narcotic misuse in some Ontario communities has far reaching effects," says Const. Sandy Adams of the Haliburton Highlands Detachment of the

"Part of the solution to deal with this crisis, is to bring awareness of the problem to the citizens of our community by hosting forums such

The OMARC committee is a subcommittee of Haliburton County's Human Services and Justice Co-ordinating Committee.

This committee was formed to help develop local solutions to local problems through more effective service co-ordination and design. It supports the continuing development of linkages and liaison mechanisms between criminal justice, health services and social services.

For more information on the May 30 events, please contact Adams at 705 286-1431.



COUNTY OF HALIBURTON LAND DIVISION COMMITTEE

NOTICE OF APPLICATIONS FOR CONSENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 53(5)(a) of the Planning Act and Section 3, O.Reg. 197/96, as amended, that the following Applications for Consent have been submitted to the Haliburton County Land Division Committee, the consent granting authority in these matters.

AND FURTHER THAT at its meeting to be held Monday, June 11, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Administration Building, County of Haliburton Office, 11 Newcastle Street, Minden, Ontario, these Applications for Consent will be heard by the Land Division Committee:

- Applicant: GREIF BROS. CANADA INC. Location of the Property: Pt. Lots 26-30, Concession 5-8, Geographic Township of Harburn Nature of the Application: Easement
- File No. H-020/12 Applicant: DENNIS DEBLER WELL DRILLING LTD. Location of the Property: Pt. Lot 1-3, Concession 1, Geographic Township of Dysart Nature of the Application: New Lot

Additional information regarding any of the above-noted applications is available for public inspection at the Land Division Office by appointment during regular business hours, Monday to Friday, from 8:30

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If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Land Division Committee in respect of the proposed consent, you must make a written request to the undersigned.

Dated at the Township of Minden Hills this 22nd day of May, 2012

Director of Planning County of Haliburton 11 Newcastle Street P.O. 399 Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0 Telephone: (705) 286-1333, or 866-886-8815 ext. 222 Fax: (705) 286-4829

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AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that before passing the said By-Law at the meeting to held at the time and place above mentioned, the Municipality of Highlands East shall then and there hear in person or by his or her counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his her or their lands will be prejudicially affected by the said By-I aw and who Jane M. Tousaw, CMO applies to be heard in person. The person who wishes to address Council should contact the Township Office for delegation time DATED at the Municipality of Highlands East, Wilberforce, Ontario this 15th day of

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Get growing

Gooderham Community Garden volunteer Scott Crichton drills in screws to a garden box on the start to the Gooderham Community Garden at the Gooderham Park on Friday, May 11. The garden, which is part of the Haliburton County Community Garden Network, welcomes more volunteers and gardening donations such as topsoil. The Gooderham Timbrmart donated the startup supplies such as wood and screws. Contact Hugh McArthur for more information 705-930-2851.

Darren Lum Staff

Coming Events





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Yours sincerely,



community calendar What's happening in the County



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May 23: Wilberforce Elementary Turtle Talk from 7pm-8:30pm located at the Lloyd Watson Community Centre. Admission by donation to the Kawartha Turtle Trauma Centre for more info call 705-448-2421

May 23:Seniors Shuffleboard registration. 9:30am-11:30am at Hyland Crest Auditorium call Wayne Jones for more info at 705-286-3465

May 26: Spring plant sale on at the Village Green in downtown Minden, 10 AM sharp. All of the plants are grown by our members

June 9: Annual Craft and Bake Sale located at West Guilford community Centre from 9am-2pm Always looking for new vendors call 705-754-2516

June 10: Highlands Wind Symphony Spring Concert, introducing Chamber Orchestra 3pm located at the Northern lights Performing Arts Pavilion Tickets adults \$10 students \$5 Family pass \$25, available at Masters Book store or Minden Pharmasave for more info call Andy at 705-457-2100 or Kelly at 705-286-3377 May

June 12: LINDSAY - St. John Ambulance CPR Level A course: Course fee \$59.00. Course runs from 8:30a.m.-3:00p.m. Also available: Emergency First Aid with CPR Level A or C course; Level A course runs 8:30a.m.-4:30p.m. and costs \$84. Level C course runs 8:30a.m.-5:30p.m. and costs \$94. All courses are at Victoria Park Armoury at 210 Kent. St. W. For more information or to pre-register, please call 705-324-9894 or email sialindsay@bellnet.ca

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Please submit events by the Wednesday prior to the requested publication date.

NOTE: This calendar is not a comprehensive listing of all events taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in the Echo for more information on events in the Highlands. For more Ongoing Community Events please see the Weekender.

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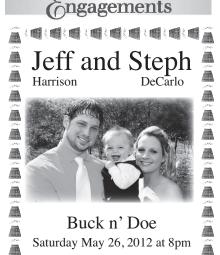
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Your Key to Haliburton Highlands Real Estate





KENNISIS LAKE

Beautiful custom built timber frame on West Shore. 3 acres, 200' frtg. Every luxury is here!

\$2,395,000.



HALIBURTON LAKE

14.3 ac family retreat/rental property. Lovely large 2 Sty home plus 5 cabins. 540ft fantastic shoreline. One of a kind! \$1,100,000.



GUILFORD LAKE

Premium 5br home/cottage, 3870sf, full fin.bsmt.1.94 ac/244 frtg. Beautiful finishings & features.

\$899,900.



ESSON LAKE

Unique island property with causeway to access your own Private paradise. Panoramic views. 975ft shoreline, excellent swimming, boating & fishing. 3000sf viceroy.

\$679,000.



GLEN LAKE GETAWAY

Charming & warm, ski area property. 3 fireplaces, heated granite floors & more Main cottage plus 700sf loft for guests.

\$649,000.



KASHAGAWIGAMOG LAKE

Custom built 3 bR. Level lot, view west Vaulted ceiling, 2 fps, recroom Deck, scr porch, dbl att garage. Shows pride of ownership!

\$538,000.



FINISH TO SUIT

\$498,000.



COMMERCIAL BUILDING

High traffic main st. location. Large building with showroom, dbl garage, Storage area, living quarters, rental unit, & ample parking. \$469,000.



OTTER LAKE

Peace and tranquility! 8.84 ac lot,379ft on no motor lake. 3+2 bedrooms. Open concept living area, fp, w/o to deck. Full fin w/o basement.

\$469,000.



LITTLE BOSHKUNG LAKE

Nestled in mature trees, 1.5 sty home/ cottage. Sunny level lot, clean shoreline Large loft/sgl garage

\$459,000.



HALBIEM HOME

Custom brick home w/docking on the 5 lake chain. Lake view, beautiful lot, 3+1BR, Dbl garage, charming insul.workshop & many more features.

\$409,000.



NEW HOME TO BE BUILT

Quality const, 1900 sf w/dble garage, covered porch. Private setting, 2 ac lot. Will finish to suit Buyer.

\$360,000.



HALIBURTON LAKE

Prime level lot with 110' rippled sand beach. Older original 3br cottage & 2 storey boathouse \$359.900.



HALIBURTON LAKE

3BR cottage w/full unfin. w/o bsmt. Fantastic lot & view, gentle slope, sand beach.

\$339,000.



TED'S LAKE

3br solid brick bungalow in private park-like setting. Sunroom, recroom, fp, att & det garage/workshop. \$329,000.



FOUR UNIT RENTAL

3Br home & 3 single units to rent out. Good location, easy access, paved drive.

\$279,000.



MOUNTAIN LAKE

425' wtrfrt & 78 acres. Extremely private. Small spring-fed lake. Scenic w/2 waterfalls. Hardwood bush, trails, Crown Land nearby. \$269.900.

GROWLER LAKE

56 acres / 650 ft frontage. Good shoreline, gradual sand or deep water. Driveway roughed in, site cleared

\$269,000.



WENONA LAKE

Spacious 4 bedroom cottage.133 ft frtg. 1150 sq ft. Cathedral ceilings, floor to ceiling windows & fireplace. Many recent upgrades. Loads of potential \$269,000.



BOYNE LAKE

Privacy assured with 341 ft & 2.47 acre level lot. Custom built home or cottage 3 br/4pc. Spacious livingrm w/ woodstove. Electric/wood cookstove in kitchen. Sunroom. \$259.900.



HOME ON 5 ACRES

Between Haliburton & Minden on nearly 5ac. 3BR, 24X24 garage, Recroom w/bar. Spacious. \$239,900.



SPACIOUS FAMILY HOME

Room for everyone! 4BR, 3 bath, 2 family rms, formal DR & LR. Scr porch, landscaped/gardens, walk

\$224,900.



GLEN LAKE AREA

3 bedrm Chalet on 3 treed ac w/ pond. Private retreat for cottage or living. Near skiing and lakes.

\$214,900



GULL RIVER

Charming riverfront 2BR home on level lot. Neat, clean package close to Minden.

\$189,000.





GULL RIVER

3BR home on 4.5 Ac riverfront near Eagle Lake. Recent reno's & upgrades. Beautiful Riverfront. \$179,900.



EAGLE LAKE ROAD

3BR, level lot, close to West Guilford. Oper concept living/kitchen area. Oil heat. Large storage shed & workshop/shed. \$175,000.



100 AC + FARMHOUSE

On Bacon Road near Kinmount, large farmhouse on 102 acres. Contact agent for disclosure & details. \$139,000.



GULL RIVER

8.8 acres. Over 200'ft good riverfront. Facing West, Quite private, nicely treed, yr rnd rd, driveway, hydro/phone. Boat to Gull Lake Minden village \$129,900.





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3)	Haliburton Lk Rd 15 AC\$49,900.	Trappers Trail 2 Bldg Lots\$9750 ea
	Fader Road Deeded Lake Access\$23,777.	Hwy118/Jim Beef Lake 140 Ac Now \$158,900
	Long Lake Road-near Access\$22,000.	Gelert Road 47 Acres\$42,000
	Glamor Lake Rd 1.1 ac\$14,000.	Irondale River 6.49 Ac Waterfront\$39,900
	Hwy 118 Commercial 9 Acres Now \$108,900.	Cardiff Lake 3.29 Ac Waterfront\$179,000
	Gull River 8.8 ac\$129,900.	Sir Sam's Lot 1.7ac\$37,900

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